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INFO AMEMBASSY STOCKHOLM PRIORITY

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SUBJECT: LAO CONSULTATIVE GROUP MEETING

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1. SWEDISH EMBOFF HERE SAID TODAY SWEDISH POSITION AT MANILA MEETING ON LAOS WILL BE TO SUPPORT FORMATION OF A DONOR CONSULTATIVE BODY NOW THAT THE ISSUE HAS BEEN "UN-LINKED" FROM VIETNAM. EMBOFF CAUTIONED HOWEVER THAT OLOV POLUHA (REFTEL), WHO IS TO BE SWEDISH SPOKESMAN AT MEETING, IS CONSIDERED ONE OF THE "RADICALS" OF THE SWEDISH AID ORGANIZATION WITHIN THE FOREIGN MINISTRY AND NO PARTICULAR FRIEND OF THE U.S.

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2. EMBOFF ALSO SAID GOS PLANS TO OPEN AN EMBASSY IN VIEN-

TIANE DURING THE COMING FISCAL YEAR (I.E. AFTER JULY 1975).
SWEDISH AMBASSADOR IN BANGKOK WILL BE ACREDITED TO LAOS
AND A SMALL PERMANENT STAFF SET UP IN VIENTIANE UNDER A
CHARGE. HE SAID SWEDEN PLANS TO OPEN FOUR NEW EMBASSIES
IN COUNTRIES WHERE IT PLANS TO FURNISH ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE.
THESE ARE (IN ORDER OF PRIORITY TO GOS) ANGOLA, MOZAM-
BIQUE, LAOS AND SRI LANKA. KISSINGER

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